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## Beaufort County 2% State Accommodations Tax Applications Due September 8

The Beaufort County Accommodations Tax Board is now accepting applications from organizations in Beaufort County wanting to receive grants from the two percent (2%) state accommodations tax fund.

South Carolina law allows for a 2% tax levy on the rental of all transient accommodations to help provide financial support to promote tourism and fund tourism-related activities in municipalities and counties within the state. As a result, individuals staying overnight in hotels, motels, inns, and vacation rentals pay 2% in addition to the statewide sales tax and any local sales and use tax applied to their lodging cost. These funds enabled Beaufort County to award a half million dollars in grants to local organizations during its 2014-2015 fiscal year.

Applications are available online at [www.bcgov.net](http://www.bcgov.net) at the slider on the homepage. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on September 8, 2015, and will not be accepted if incomplete or submitted late. Only the current year application will be accepted for consideration. Questions regarding the application process should be directed to Joy Nelson at 843.255.2250 or [atax@bcgov.net](mailto:atax@bcgov.net).